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OPINION

With the nation polarized, the battle between Team Edward and Team Jacob rages. Pick a side on Page 4.

SPORTS

As a father, student and standout basketball player, Dominique Sutton has a lot to play for. Read his story on Page 6.

Exceeding limits

Firefighters' responsibilities go beyond fires

By Jacque Haag KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

When most people think of firefighters, they obviously think of fires, but in Manhattan, there are not many fires

"A lot of our calls are medical calls, and there aren't a lot of fire calls," said Rob Samenus, a driver from Manhattan Fire Department's Station No. 1. "Our job description is more medical than it is fire."

DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

According to the department's selfdescription, it "is charged with fire suppression, rescue and hazardous material incident responses and enforcement of fire, building and nuisance codes."

Though it's called "the fire department," according to the city of Manhattan's 2008 Incident Type Report Summary, only 5.37 percent of calls in 2008 involved fire. In fact, 51 percent were medical in nature, and nearly 19 percent were false alarms.

"I think we're up to about seven calls a day or something like that now, but half of them are medical calls, and with medical calls, you don't suit up," said Battalion Chief Rex Worden. "We go to a lot of alarm sounds, trash cans, car fires.

Any time an ambulance is dispatched to a scene, the fire department also goes, and all MFD firefighters are fully trained in Emergency Medical Services. The firefighters said this does not remove any excitement from their

"Every time the bells go off, it's unexpected, so there is a little bit of fear in there," Samenus said. "Sometimes it's a little stressful going to medical calls and someone's coding out or [going to] a house fire and someone's trapped inside."

Several members of C Company, the team Worden and Samenus serve on, agreed that their adrenaline is usually pumping as they race to suit up for a

ALMOST LIKE FAMILY

The department's firefighters, drivers, lieutenants and battalion chiefs serve on crews that work all their shifts together, working 24 hours "on" and 24 hours "off." The crews each get several days off each week and ultimately work 10 days each month.

Because the members of each company spend so much time working, eating and living together, they develop a closeness with each other that makes them seem like family.

"It's like being around your siblings when you're growing up," Samenus said. "You're constantly being teased, you're constantly being harassed – and it's also good in the same aspect because we're pretty close-knit."

Things can get pretty rough around the station, Kaus said.

"There's nothing sacred here," Lt.



During a routine truck "check-in" Nov. 6, Manhattan Fire Department driver **Dave Johnson** inspects the ladder on Engine No. 1.

Mike Kaus said with a laugh. "You have to have thick skin or you better develop thick skin, or you're not going

to stay in this job." The current members of C Company have been serving together for the last six months, since the newest firefight-

er, Brian Griffin, joined the shift. C Company members said there is sometimes a high turnover rate, as new firefighters do not stay on staff for long, but if they can last for the first few years, they become part of the fam-

ily.

"Pretty much, once you've been here for a few years, you're in here for the long haul," Kaus said.

THE FAMILY AT HOME

Twenty-four-hour shifts obviously keep company members away from home and family for extended periods, which causes different reactions from families.

"Some of them love it - they like having that time away from us," Kaus

See FIRE, Page 7

A Look at the Facts

- 4:38 average response time in minutes (in
- 4 stations in Manhattan
- 18 square miles protected by the Manhattan Fire Department
- \$4.8 million total Fire Services budget in 2008 • 10 - days of work each month per firefighter
- \$730,000 amount spent to purchase the new Engine No. 1
- 60 pounds of equipment when the firefighters are in their full gear
- 20-30 minutes of air in a standard tank
- \$1.3 million what it would cost to replace the
- 95-foot ladder truck • 3 - shifts of firefighters at a station
- 24 hours per shift
- 20 members in C Company
- 450 gallons of water Engine No. 1 holds 240 - hours of training each year \$2.5 million - cost to build a new station
- -5.37 percent of calls in 2008 involved fire (51 percent were medical emergencies, nearly 19 percent were false alarms).

—Compiled by Jacque Haag

CITY COMMISSION

Meeting to discuss parties, traffic laws

By Corene Brisendine KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The city commission plans to meet tonight to discuss changing the current Disorderly House ordinance and amending the state traffic ordinance to ban golf carts on streets and

texting on cell phones while driving.
Riley County Police Department responded to more than 700 complaints in 2008 of "nuisance activities on private property," according to the agenda.

The current code has vague wording and is not enforceable, according to RCPD. Commissioners will be discussing several options to change the ordinance or create a similar ordinance to help cut down on the complaints from neighbors about loud noise, disorderly conduct, public urination, littering and property

The city will be looking at similar ordinances created in Ames, Iowa, and Fort Collins, Colo. Other ordinances include modifying the rental inspection ordinance, modifying unlawful the unlawful assembly ordinance, creating party registrations or creating a nuisance party ordinance.

The agenda also states the ordinance must not violate citizens' constitutional rights to peaceful assembly, the right to due process and the right not to be punished twice for a single offense.

"I'm kind of like coach [Bill] Snyder; I've been living in that end [of town] long enough that everyone complains about students urinating," Commissioner Loren Pepperd said. "Sometimes the students need to take responsibility for their actions."

Pepperd said the city has ordinances governing all the complaints, but the problem lies with enforcement and willingness of the police department to enforce the ordinances. He said the codes need clarification and looks forward to hearing from the city and police department concerning how they plan on enforcing these ordinances.

Secondly, the city plans to discuss amendments to the standard traffic ordinance. Each year the state sends an updated set of traffic ordinances for each city to adopt or amend as they see fit. This year the city opted to ban "the use of golf carts and work-site utility vehicles on city streets" and to prohibit drivers from texting or using "hand-held wireless communications devices." If adopted, the bans will go in affect Jan. 1,

Tonight's session is a work session and no action will be taken. The city plans to hear discussion and make their decision at a later date. The meeting will begin at 4:30 p.m. Citizens are encouraged to attend or speak at the meeting. It will also be broadcast on local cable channel 3.

POLICE REPORTS

Stolen vehicle reported after check declared no good

By Hannah Blick KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A Manhattan resident reported a vehicle theft earlier this week, according to a report from the Riley County Police Department.

The incident occurred sometime between Dec. 3 and Dec. 8, in the 600 block of Bluemont Ave., said RCPD Lt. Herbert Crosby Jr.

The victim, Siqi Wuan, 24, of 624 Bluemont Ave., 1, reported that the suspect gave him a \$7,500 check for his 2000 BMW, which Wuan later discovered was written from a closed account, according to the report.

Crosby said no arrests had been made in the case.

SPECIAL SERIES: PART 4 OF 5

Church leader argues people choose sexuality

Editor's Note: This is part four of a fivepart series addressing the gay community and its relationship to organized religion. Part four focuses on a local church that offers a ministry dealing with homosexuality.

> By Jason Miller KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Like many churches, Westview Community Church in Manhattan, believes homosexuality is a choice and is wrong.

Unlike most churches, however, Westview takes a proactive stance, offering a program, called "Living Waters" to help individuals who want support resisting homosexual urges

AN UNSETTLED DEBATE

Many oppose Living Waters's belief that homosexuality is a choice.

"All major national mental health organizations have officially expressed concerns about therapies promoted to modify sexual orientation," states a pamphlet from the American Psychological Association released in May 2008. According to the pamphlet, there has been no adequate scientific research to prove that therapy aimed to change sexual orientation is safe or effective.

Joyce Baptist, assistant professor in marriage and family therapy, has a similar view. "I have never found a gay per-

son who said that it was a choice they had," Baptist said. "It was who they were, and it was an identity that formed over time."

She said she finds it aggravating that programs offered to people are not based on accurate information about human sexuality.

Baptist has conducted research for her dissertation, entitled "Coming Out: One Family's Story," on the gay and lesbian population, primarily gay men. She looked at the process men went through when they realized they were gay, and studied how they chose to live as homosexuals and the effects on

their families and communities.

"One of the basic Christian ideas is that we are created in the image of God," said the Rev. R. Kent Cormack, pastor and teacher at First Congregational United Church of Christ in Manhattan 'So to say that people who are made one way instead of another implies that they are not a full reflection of that image of God."

Deb Kluttz, the executive pastor of Westview, disagrees. She said the issue of homosexuality is becoming more black and white. She said the "gray area" is fading and people and churches find themselves having to choose whether to attend a church that allows openly gay worshippers or

"Biblically, where I stand, I think inside there is a place where we know it's just unnatural, and an unnatural way to live," Kluttz said. "I think that people want out. They just feel like this is not

OK. 'I'm not OK, this is wrong." She said the Living Waters pro-

gram had two participants who were seeking help resisting homosexuality, and since their completion of the program they continue to struggle.

While Living Waters uses a group-based counseling system, conversion and reparative therapy programs often use more aggressive measures to change a person's orientation. These programs cite research conducted by Robert L. Spitzer, who has purportedly provided scientific evidence that sexual orientation can be changed.

Spitzer, a retired psychiatry professor at Columbia University, was hailed as an ally to the gay community when he assisted in the 1973 removal of homosexuality from the psychiatric manual of mental disorders. In 2003, Spitzer lost that status when he published results of a 16-month study reflecting homosexual orientation could be changed with therapy.

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STREET TALK

Check out Pages 4 and 5 for highlights from the past decade.

What do you think was the most important event to happen in the past 10 years?



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9/11. It seems to have affected all aspects of lives it defines the decade and eventher that or the election of a bad thing that happened to our nation and brought

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The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Satyabrata Das at 2:30 p.m. today in Chalmers Hall 36. The thesis topic is "Role of PKC in the Regulation of Lens Gap Junctions."

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The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Anand Mohan at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in Call Hall 140. The thesis topic is "Effects of Glycolytic and Mitochondrial Kreb's Cycle Intermediates on Myoglobin Redox Forms Stabilization."

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Josephine Boac at 3 p.m. Wednesday in Seaton Hall 133. The thesis topic is "Handling Effects on Quality and Dust Generation in Grain and Feed, and Modeling of Grain Commingling in Bucket Elevators."

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A) Yes **B)** No **D)** No, but that hasn't stopped me from skipping

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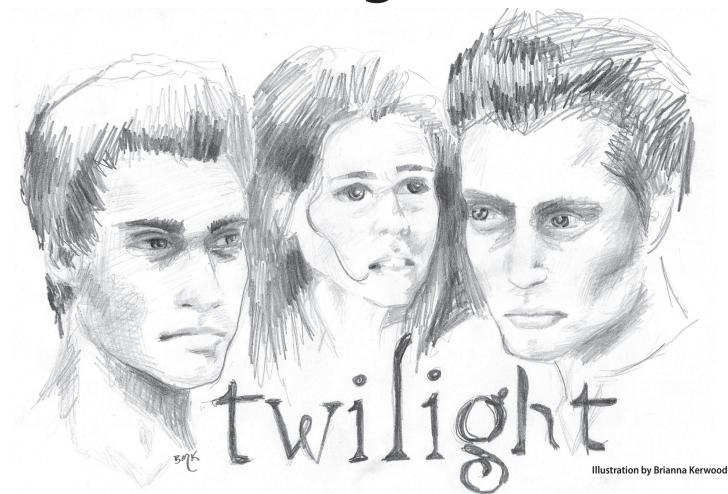
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CLASH WEEK

Choosing a team



Edward exercises chivalry

Millions of Americans are living without health insurance, while grandstanding Washington bureau-

crats haggle over nonentities. President Obama's decision to send 30,000 troops into Afghanistan has divided Americans and seemed to please no one.

Carbon emissions continue to increase global warming, and the major world superpowers do nothing Iran

ers do nothing. Iran defiantly declared it will continue with its goal toward attaining nuclear power, while the Middle East and U.S. stare on helplessly. The world seems to be in a crisis mode, yet the news outlets seem to be covering these fad stories.

MITCHELL J.

WIDENER

However, the paramount debate now is maybe the biggest problem to vex the world in decades: Team Edward vs. Team Jacob.

Of course all intelligent and mature citizens have painstakingly judged each on their redeeming personality traits over this past fall. Obviously, any person who has meticulously researched this conflict as much as I have and evaluated each character on his own merits, have come to the clear conclusion that Edward is vastly superior to Jacob.

Why? Because he's just better. Stephenie Meyer has created quite possibly one of the best works of literature in the English language with the "Twilight" series. The writings of Shakespeare, William Faulkner and Mark Twain pale in comparison to this renowned piece of fiction.

Through her intricate and mindblowing plot lines, Meyer has pitted two dynamic characters, Jacob and Edward, against one another. The spoil of this epic battle is the proverbial damsel in distress: Bella. Edward, a modern-day Hamlet and a vampire, first won her heart, but Jacob, a fierce werewolf, has ferociously been trying to win over Bella.

In short, Edward has all the qualities a girl could want in a guy, while Jacob only reminds women of a good friend. You know who usually wins out in these situations.

For all things cinema and literature-related, one must go to *Wikipedia.org*. This encyclopedia states Edward is a "monstrous tragic hero." In comparison, Jacob only gets described as a "family friend."

Meyer's earth-shattering prose makes it quite clear vampires serve a much better purpose than werewolves. Vampires can control themselves, yet werewolves are extremely hairy. Imagine No-Shave-November, but every other month as well.

Astonishingly, neither *Sparknotes*. *com* nor *Cliffnotes.com* provides substantial literary criticism to better our understanding of this grand debate.

Also disappointing is the absence of an in-depth analysis by two major movie critics, Epert and Roper. Nevertheless, Team Edward doesn't need reassurance from any outside sources to tell us who is better. Team Jacob pathetically thinks the werewolf will win out.

To concisely capture this debate one must think of it like this: Edward is Michael Beasley, Jacob is Luis Colon. Or for the nonsports fan, Edward is the type of gentleman who lays down his coat for random strangers in the rain and Jacob probably steals money from the collection plate at your local church.

Mitchell J. Widener can't think of anything more entertaining than reading or watching "Twilight." Please send comments to opinion@spub.ksu.edu.

Jacob loyal, kind, attractive

Possessiveness, jealousy, emotional abuse and abandonment — these are not the things that add up to a

good boyfriend or a healthy relationship. Because these are the only characteristics that make up Edward Cullen's brooding persona is the best reason I can think of to be a mem ber of Team Jacob.

For any who have watched the latest movie in the series, "New Moon," it should be obvious

who the more attractive of the two is. Jacob Black is tan, muscular and clean-shaven, while Edward Cullen is sallow, scrawny and weirdly hairy. Edward's tendency toward brooding might be because he knows his smile cannot compare to Jacob's. As far as I'm concerned, there is no contest when it comes to physical attractiveness.

JESSICA

HENSLEY

comes to physical attractiveness.

But let's be honest — we all know physical beauty only goes so far. Personality is by far the more important attribute when it comes to a potential date. Fortunately, Jacob wins in this category as well. Where Edward is possessive, Jacob is protective. Where Edward is jealous, Jacob is patient. When Edward left Bella to her fate, Jacob was there to pick up the pieces and keep

her safe. The relationship between Edward and Bella is deeply unhealthy by all measures from the very beginning. This should be obvious, as it eventually leads to Bella's "death" (sorry to spoil it). Bella is forced to give up her soul and turn into something of the undead in order to maintain her relationship with Edward. Had she chosen Jacob, her fate would not have been quite so dramatic. Jacob requires nothing of Bella – not her soul or her life or even her love. He loves her unconditionally and in whatever capacity he can. Most important of all - he never

abandons her.

Edward may tell himself he left to protect Bella, but how could he honestly expect her to remain safe without him there? It is Edward's presence in Bella's life that puts her in danger to begin with, making it his responsibility to keep her safe. Instead, he leaves her to die at the hands of a fellow vampire. Does that sound like the actions of true love?

Following Edward's departure, it is Jacob who picks Bella up and keeps her safe. He protects her from herself and from the vampires out to kill her. He cheers her up and keeps her busy while she begins to heal. He also quietly tolerates Edward's continued influence on Bella, always trying to put Bella's feelings before his own.

When it comes to the question of Team Edward or Team Jacob, the answer should be obvious. Jacob is self-less, kind and extremely attractive. Edward is selfish, manipulative and has the emotional range of a cereal box. There is no contest between the two.

Even if none of the above was true (which they are), werewolves would still be cooler than vampires. Also, according to the "Twilight" series of novels, werewolves apparently make for better cuddling, as the average body temperature of a vampire rests somewhere around freezing.

There are many things to admire and even desire when it comes to Jacob Black, and not so much when it comes to Edward Cullen. When faced with the choice between hot and cold, selfless and selfish, protective and possessive, which would you choose? Jacob is everything that is good and important in healthy relationships, where

Edward is none of those things.

The choice should be obvious —
Jacob Black is the better man (creature?).

Jessica Hensley is waiting for her Jacob. Please send comments to *opinion@spub.ksu.edu*.

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Lesson one of urban forestry: Don't sell marijuana. You will be arrested

Hey, stupid people, clean off your lights and turn them on.

The night of the snowfalls, the Stuni guy returns.

Did anyone else see the bad-a snow turtle outside of Goodnow?

You know it's about time for finals because instead of studying for them, we decided to chuck a Jim Beam bottle around the living room. Good times.

It's the middle of the night in a blizzard, and you don't tip the delivery guy? I know what Santa's going to give you for Christmas.

Largest turnout of the season at the Xavier game. Way to go, students.

Hey el presidente, just because you can walk to work doesn't mean others should be out on the roads. Everyone around us is closed, schools and colleges.

Dang it, Frank Male. I was prepared to disagree most ardently with your article until I read the last line. Good job.

 ${\bf Beth}$ Mendenhall, the battle of the sexes article merits ten brownie points in my book.

To the girl I just saw by Hale Library that smiled at me: You're beautiful.

Whenever I read a Beth Mendenhall article, all I hear is "Blah, blah, blah, l wish I could cook well."

Hey school of ministers, I hope saving money was worth getting everyone stuck or running off the road.

To the person writing about having to take a test on Hanukkah: You are either stupid for having signed up for a class after sundown on Fridays or retarded because you don't know when Hanukkah is.

Why the hell was there no Fourum in yesterday's paper? It ruined my day.

To the guy wearing a suit who fell on the ice by Bluemont: You just made my day.

It's not makeup, waxing and wardrobe that we refuse to date you. We don't date you because you're Beth Mendenhall.

I would think that Colorado folks would be encouraging Kansans to come over for winter break. You know, pass the joint up a little bit

OK, the roads may be bad, but you don't have to go five mph.

To the two K-State guys who helped me push my car out of the snow: Thank you so much.

Beth Mendenhall, you killed Jesus, too.

All things being equal, I suggest a new game for the girls on campus to play: The Carhartt jacket game. Get some.

Obama smoked marijuana. Now he's in the White House.

Those are some dirty Uggs.

Dear Fourum, I just witnessed an epic fail by the Manhattan Fire Department tonight. It was epic.

What the ... why are we open when everyone around us is closed? Shouldn't we be closed?

Hey Fourum, you burn great.

That's right, you did a snow turtle outside of Goodnow.

Alright, so, I'm looking at a list of 333 ways to get kicked out of Wal-Mart, and 282 says, "If you're in Target, say there is a code yellow." I have to say that 282 is not a way to get kicked out of Wal-Mart, but rather a way to get kicked out of Target. Therefore there are only 332 ways to get kicked out of Wal-Mart.

Hey, Ugg boots are not snow boots.



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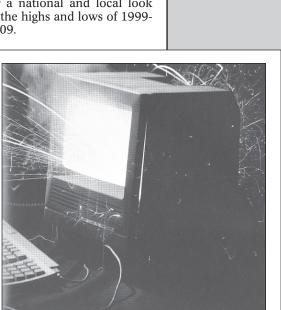
By Jason Miller KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

With the end of a decade rapidly approaching, many events both locally and nationally have changed our lives.

As the clock ticked over to the new millennium, the world realized computers were not going to crash and burn, leaving humanity lost. Through the largest terrorist attack on American soil, the country came together to unite around the president and the troops as

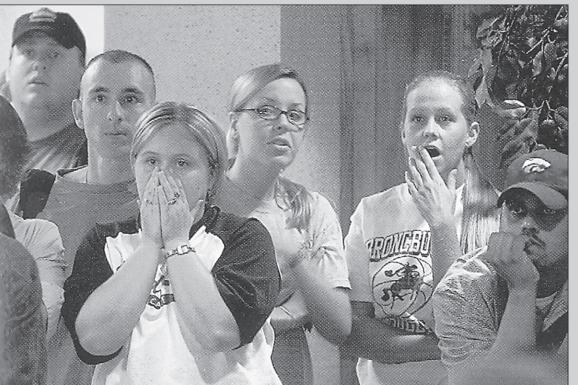
two separate wars raged. Locally, K-Stateval K-Statevalidated its football team, winning its first Big 12 Championship ever, and seeing Bill Synder retire and re-hired. K-State also hired a new president for the first time in the average K-State student's lifetime. And who can forget K-State basket-ball defeating KU in Bramlage Colliseum when the crowd rushed the court.

In paying proper respect to the decade, the paper could fill a book with newsworthy events, but these two pages offer a national and local look of the highs and lows of 1999-



As the year 2000 approached, a growing fear of Y2K spread panic. Due to the way computers stored years using two digits, there was a concern that technology would break down as the year 2000 began. Government agencies formed Y2K divisions tasked with coordinating solutions to the potential problem. When the year 2000 arrived, nothing disas-





to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, the deadliest attacks that have occurred on American soil. Suicide hijackers flew airplanes into the World Trade Center Towers in New York City, which resulted in nearly 3,000 deaths. The attacks on the Twin Towers were two of four attacks in America on Sept. 11, 2001. Following these events, President George W. Bush began the war on terrorism and a hunt for Osama bin Laden.

mastermind behind

the outbreak.



deadliest in U.S. history, killed 1,800 people and displaced 400,000. After the levees failed in New Orleans, \$100 billion in damages was caused by the hurricane. Four years after the storm, thousands who were displaced are still living in FEMA trailers.



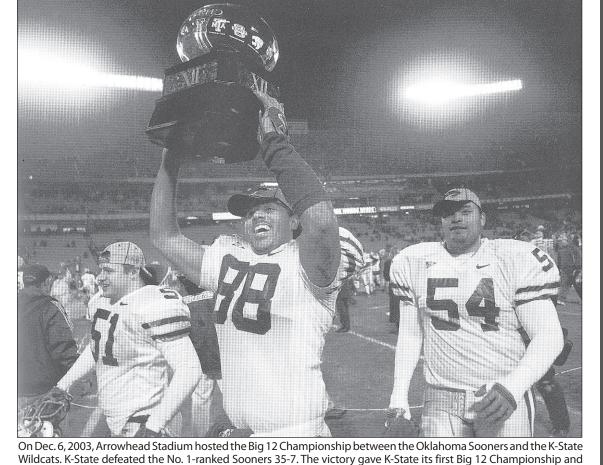
Kirk Schulz addresses the crowd in Bramlage Coliseum during his inauguration as the 13th President of K-State. **Schulz** was selected following Jon Wefald's 23-year term as K-State's president. Schulz quickly became known throughout the student body as a technology advocate, using both *Twitter.com* and *Facebook.com* to communicate.



2000 2005 2010



Florida had a major voting recount dispute that took center stage in the 2000 presidential election, causing the results to be undetermined for more than a month. As the child's sign implies, Florida received heavy scrutiny for its ballots. The nation saw the term "butterfly ballet" flash across the screen of every major news network as many seniors claimed their votes went toward the campaign of Pat Buchanan and not Al Gore, whom they intended to cast a vote for. As a result of this ballot issue, Florida was forced to redesign its ballots for the 2004 election.



first conference crown in football since the Wildcats won the Big Six Conference in 1934.

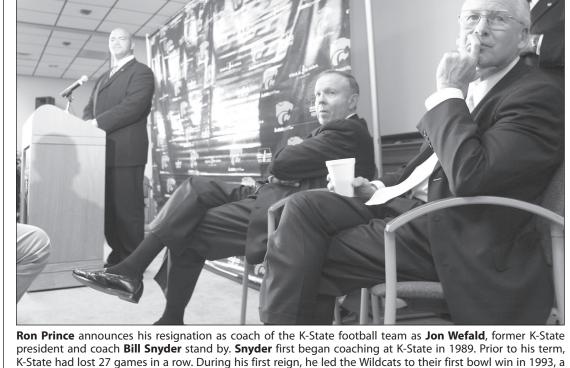




murders took place.

Richard Branson sprays champagne on pilot **Steve Fossett** after his nonstop flight round the world. The Model 311 Virgin Atlantic GlobalFlyer circled the globe in a time of 67 hours 1 minute from February 28, 2005 until March 3, 2005. Additionally, the flight speed of 342.2 mph broke the Absolute World Record for the fastest nonstop un-refueled circumnavigation set by the previous Rutan-designed Voyager aircraft at nine days three minutes and an verage speed of 115.65 mph. When the Virgin Atlantic GlobalFlyer landed in Salina,

the total distance flown was 22,936 miles.



K-State had lost 27 games in a row. During his first reign, he led the Wildcats to their first bowl win in 1993, a No. 1 poll ranking in 1998 and won the Big 12 Championship in 2003. **Snyder** resigned after the 2005 season. During his first year back, the team had a record of 6-6 and defeated KU for the first time in three years.



-Compiled by Frank Male

the K-State football team was ranked ninth in the Associated In 2000, the most up-to-date Press poll with an 11-3 record. Windows operating system was Now, former starting quarterback Windows 98. Since then we have Jonathan Beasley is the offensive seen Windows 2000, ME, XP, Vista graduate assistant coach here.

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The average current college student

Gas prices have increased from a

national average of \$1.27 per gal-

Before the 21st century, the words

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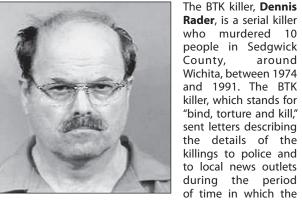
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In 2000, Pluto was still a planet.



subsequent conviction.

He stopped sending letters through much of the 1990's, but in

2004 resumed his letter writing. This led to his 2005 arrest and



President George W. Bush speaks at the 142nd Landon Lecture. During the lecture, Bush recalled the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and spoke about the battle against al-Qaida and the Taliban. He also discussed the liberation of Iraq from Saddam Hussein and the importance of democracy.

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Driven

Sutton's motivation comes from education, daughters

By Ashley Dunkak KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

THURSDAY DECEMBER 10, 2009

Junior forward Dominique Sutton has been a force in the paint for the men's basketball team, recently holding the nation's second-leading scorer, Washington State's Klay Thompson, to only 11 points from the floor in a win over Washington State

Although Sutton began playing when he was 6, the sport of the court was not his first love.

"I'm a football man," Sutton said. "Football is my favorite. If it weren't for these knees, I'd still be playing football to this day."

When he played football more competitively, he was a free safety and wide receiver. At a younger age, however, he spent time as a running

"I was a speedy little son-of-a-gun," he said. "I hit a major growth spurt coming throughout high school, so I just stayed with wide receiver/free safety."

Since his knees did not agree with football, Sutton decided to settle down and do something he was good at – and basketball fit the bill.

He chose K-State because he knew sophomore forward Jamar Samuels and former K-State teammates Michael Beasley and Ron Anderson from his Amateur Athletic Union team, the DC Assault, and he also knew associate head coach Dalonte Hill.

"When I first came here Dec. 26 of '07 - I remember that day like it was vesterday - just not knowing what coach Frank Martin expected from me and not knowing what I expected from him," Sutton said. "But as the days went on, and as practice went on, and the months and the years went on, I caught on pretty fast."

Sutton said he knows what Martin expects from him now, and it is something he is willing to do to help K-State basketball win and make it as far as possible. He said being in the system is natural to him now.

"It just comes like this," he said, snapping his fingers. "It's clockwork."

Senior guard Chris Merriewether confirmed Sutton's adaptation to Martin's system.

"That first year, it was kind of baptism by fire because they kind of threw him in there, and he was just in the game right away and in the rotations," Merriewether said. "He's really bought into the system. He can really get to the ball well and do what

Coach asks of him."

Martin's statements agreed with

those of Merriewether.
"Dom's been great," Martin said. "I

rarely get upset at Dominique."

Martin said Sutton is his own biggest critic and that his effort is good. Still, for Sutton, K-State is about more than basketball. He said his immediate motivation was being able to come to college.

"It was a dream, coming from where I'm coming from, to be the first in my family ever to make it to the big stage and go to college off an athletic scholarship and play big-time basketball," Sutton said.

As if that is not enough to motivate him to take advantage of the opportunities that come with attending college and playing basketball, Sutton has other incentives: his daughters.

"I got two little girls that look up to me and things like that," Sutton said. "I look up to them more. They inspire me to go hard and be a better person."

As far as balancing studying and taking finals in the midst of road games as the semester winds down, Sutton said it is hard but something that is part of basketball for all the players.

"It's one reason that we're here, not just to play basketball but to get an education, hopefully get a degree, and make money in another subject or whatever if basketball doesn't work out," Sutton said.

The road to college basketball prowess for Sutton is becoming more and more frequently traveled by those in search of a D-I career. That road consists of playing some high school basketball, transferring to a prep school to play at a whole new level and securing a spot on a renowned AAU team.

Sutton played two seasons at Durham Jordan High School in Durham, N.C., before transferring to the Patterson School in Lenoir, N.C. Sutton said he enjoyed his time at the prep school.

"It was fun being three hours away from home; getting away and meeting some new people; being out in the mountains of North Carolina," Sutton said. "It was a part of the state I had never really been in."

He also said going to Patterson helped him adapt to the college life because of the aspect of independence and travel with basketball. Travel for regular high school sports means going 30 minutes down the road or 10



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K-State forward **Dominique Sutton** celebrates a foul called against Xavier during the first half of their game in Bramlage Coliseum on Tuesday.

minutes across town, while playing for a prep school like Patterson involves driving and flying to different states and playing against junior col-

Freshman forward Wally Judge and freshman guard Rodney McGruder also played for the DC Assault. As an upperclassman for the Wildcats this

season, Sutton said the key to taking a leadership role with the younger players is getting in their ears and staying positive.

"We've all been through it with coach Martin," Sutton said. He said he tells his young teammates to "just come back the next day and work

Nutter's 'Midweek' Musings: Wildcats look like new team

Thursday conundrums while Frank Martin and the K-State men's basketball team prepare for arguably their toughest

test of the season so far: a true road game against a ranked oppo-

· I've got to say, after watching K-State grind out a seven-point win against Division II Fort Hays State, I really started to think the win against Dayton in Puerto Rico may have been a fluke.



JUSTIN NUTTER

- After watching the last two games, I'm pretty sure K-State was just having a bad night against the Tigers. A really bad
- I'll admit I was more than a little nervous when Washington State rolled into Manhattan last weekend. Cougar guard Klay Thompson came in as the

nation's second-leading scorer and the Wildcats couldn't even contain the Fort Hays guards one game before.

- Apparently Dominique Sutton didn't get the memo about Thompson. The kid had more traveling calls than points at the first media timeout. If that's not defensive dominance, I don't know what is.
- · The Wildcats will need that same intensity this weekend in Las Vegas. UNLV is anything but a pushover, and don't think that Rebel head coach Lon Kruger – a former K-State coach and player – won't have his team ready. This is another golden opportunity for the Wildcats to pad their tournament resu-
- · On the opposite end of the spectrum, K-State's free-throw shooting has been about as consistent as the weather in Manhattan. If the Wildcats cannot learn to connect from the stripe, a lot of games will probably be closer than they should be.
- While I'm on the topic of weather, I want to give props to the students for braving the blizzard and coming to Bramlage Coliseum on Tuesday. Even Jacob Pullen said he wouldn't have come to the game if he wasn't playing
- · In other news, I think the officiating crews are trying to break the record for most fouls called per game. Anyone care to take a stab at the total number of calls in the last two games?
- The refs called 50 fouls in the Washington State game. As if that wasn't enough, they pushed that total to 57 in the Xavier game. I haven't done any research, but 107 fouls in two games has to be some kind of record.
- Speaking of fouls, if someone has an explanation for Pullen getting fouled by Xavier with five seconds left in the game, let me know. The Wildcats were up by double digits. Not only is that absolutely pointless, it's unacceptable.
- · Maybe Xavier head coach Chris Mack is just upset that Pullen isn't playing for his team. Mack said after the game that he recruited Pullen pretty hard out of high
- I guess that shows Mack is probably a pretty decent recruiter. Fortunately, at least in Pullen's case, K-State made a stronger push. Just one more reason Wildcat Nation should thank Bob Huggins.
- Whether Huggins bolted after one year or not, the Wildcats are much better because of him. No Huggins means no Martin, no Pullen, no Beasley, no Walker, blah blah blah. The list goes on and on.
- I've got to say, I don't think I've ever been this pumped for basketball. For those of you who aren't interested, don't worry. Only 268 days until football season!

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LETTER FROM THE COACH

A message from coach Frank Martin

To all the students who attended [Tuesday] night's

I hope you all made it home safely. I wanted to personally thank you for braving the winter storm to support your team [Tuesday] night as we took on Xavier. You demonstrated true commitment to K-State Basketball, and we are grateful to have such an amazing student section. The energy you brought to the arena helped us to a big 71-56 victory. On behalf of our student athletes, coaches and support staff, thank you for giving us an amazing home court advantage [Tuesday] night!

Coach Martin

THREE SENIORS SELECTED FOR **SHRINE GAME**

A trio of seniors from the K-State football team will get to represent their school on the gridiron one more time

as they have been selected to play in the 85th annual East-West Shrine Game, which is set for Jan. 23.

Defensive lineman Jeffrey Fitzgerald, tight Jeron Mastrud

wide receiver/ kick returner Brandon Banks will take the field as members of

the West team. The game will take place at the Florida Citrus Bowl in Orlando, Fla., and will be televised nationally on ESPN2. Kickoff is slated for 2 p.m. This marks the first time K-State will be represented in the Shrine Game since wide receiver Yamon Figurs participated in the contest in 2006. The three selections are the most the Wildcats have received since four players took part in 2000.

Fitzgerald

Fitzgerald, a transfer from Virginia



who only played one season for the Wildcats, recorded 40 total tackles - 10 behind the line of scrimmage - during the 2009 campaign. He also posted a team-high seven sacks, forced three

fumbles and returned his only interception for a touchdown en route to an All-Big 12 Honorable Mention

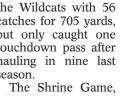
selection. Mastrud, a four-year starter and All-Big 12 first team selection, caught 21 passes for 233 yards, one touch-

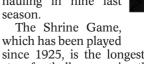
Mastrud down and a pair of two-

point conversions in his final season as a Wildcat. He ranks 10th all-time - and first among tight ends – at K-State in career receptions, with 106. He is second among all K-State tight ends with 1,219 career receiving yards. During his fouryear career in Manhattan, he played in 48 of 49 possible games and ended his career with 26 straight starts.

Banks, who joins Mastrud on the All-Big 12 first team, garnered national attention in 2009 when he broke the conference record for kick return touchdowns, accomplishing the feat four times. His five career returns for touchdowns are two short of the NCAA

record, which set by Clemson's C.J. Spiller earlier this season. Banks also led the Wildcats with 56 catches for 705 yards, but only caught one touchdown pass after hauling in nine last





since 1925, is the longest-running allstar football game in the collegiate ranks and annually includes some of the nation's top NFL Draft prospects. The contest also serves as a fundraiser for the Shriners Hospitals for Children. In addition to squaring off on the field, members of both teams will visit patients at the Shriners Hospital in Tampa, Fla.

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CHURCH Research on changing sexual orientation not scientifically accepted

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Eleven percent of the men and 37 percent of the women in Spitzer's study reported a complete reorientation from homosexual to heterosexual after the 16-month study.

The APA does not recognize Spitzer's research as legitimate because it does not follow the scientific method of a study, said Clinton Anderson, associate executive director and director of the LGBT concerns office for the American Psychological Association.

"The sample he studied voluntarily engaged with hopes of changing so you cannot use the data to say the treatment caused the effect," Anderson said.

He said only a handful of adequate scientific studies have met the criteria for examination, and there is little or no evidence treatments change orientation. There is more evidence they change behavior, but that is more voluntarily controlled, Clinton said.

Kluttz said homosexuality is influenced by many factors but that many homosexuals have been sexually abused, typically by men.

"Gals that have been sexually abused by men, I've seen them go one of two ways," Kluttz said. "They either go extremely promiscuous because their boundaries were just mowed over, or they gain weight, they don't wear makeup, they try to draw no attention to their body. The body has been

RESULTS OF ROBERT L. SPITZER'S STUDY, WHICH FOUND THAT SEXUAL ORIENTATION CAN BE CHANGED

- 200 Volunteers: 143 males, 57 females
- Average age: men, 42, women, 44
- 11% of the men and 37% of the women in the study reported a complete reorientation from homosexual to heterosexual
- 76% men and 47% of women were married
- 95% were Caucasian and 76% were college graduates
- 84% resided in the United States, 16% in Europe 97% were of a Christian background, 3% were Jewish
- 19% of the participants were mental health professionals or directors of ex-gay
- 41% reported that they had, at some time prior to the therapy, been "openly gay" 78% had publicly spoken in favor of efforts to change homosexual orientation
- 85% of men and 70% of women did not find the homosexual lifestyle to be emotion-
- 79% of both genders said homosexuality conflicted with their religious beliefs

13% of the participants had never engaged in consensual homosexual sex

a source of pain and they want to disconnect from their femininity."

HELPING THROUGH EXPERI-ENCE

Jenine Reimer, a former small group leader and a marriage and family therapist, said above all else, her priority is to do what is best for the individual. She said the church offers intense screenings to ensure no one is "destroyed" in the process of the program.

"I struggle with whether it's a choice or it's genetic," Reimer said. "If you come from a stance that it is a biological genetic thing, then I would have to agree that Living Waters would not be best for a person like that because it could, in the process, hurt them more and make them feel shameful and damage their self-esteem in that

Reimer was the small group leader of the victims of sexual abuse during the first Living Waters program at Westview. She is scheduled to return for the second session of Living Waters as a guest lecturer on proper boundaries.

Kluttz said all people chosen to lead groups first receive certification from Desert Streams, and most leaders in the Living Waters program have been through trauma of some type in their lives.

"Who can better help someone who's an alcoholic than someone who has been there and come through it?" Reimer said. "They may not have master's training in

There is a fine line that must be observed to ensure people leading group sessions are not subject to post-traumatic stress, which can result when open exchange triggers memories. Reimer said group leaders must be at least two years removed from dealing with personal issues to make sure they are

it, but they have life training in it."

NO GUARANTEED OUTCOME

capable of helping others.

The dividing line of whether a program dealing with homosexuality offers community members a valued service lies in the belief that people can change their sexual orientations.

"It's like a woman trying not to live a woman's life," Baptist said. "You're having to fake who you are, and I would say that puts a lot of pressure on the mental health of the individual."

Baptist said ultimately individuals have the right to choose whether they think this program would benefit them. She said her hope is people entering the Living Waters program are informed that there is no guarantee a program will change their sexual preference.

Kluttz said she feels the program will help those who are struggling to live a heterosexual life and she stressed the program's voluntary

"We're not trying to recruit," she said. "It's not like we're trying to find the broken and drag them in by the hair."

FIRE | Long shifts allow more days off

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said. "And then there are others that can't live without having you home all the time. And those are usually the guys that leave early on."

Each company's shifts roll forward two days each week, so members cannot count on having the same days off each week, and families must often be flexible with plans.

"If the kids have a soccer game or if we have Christmas to celebrate - then you miss out on some of those moments," Samenus said. "You have to adjust. Christmas doesn't always fall on Christmas Day."

However, there is a positive side: with 24-hour shifts come several consecutive days off.

"I have a lot of time to spend with my family, and that's pretty important to me," Samenus said. "That's probably the best part."

Kaus said the time away usually evens out.

'Kids like you home," he said. "The four days off in a row most of the time makes up for being here."

—Brent Pinkall contributed to this report.



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New film features good acting, lacks compelling drama

"Brothers" ****

Movie Review Patrick Bales

I have always felt that, no matter what, a movie of any genre has the responsibility to take its audience for a ride it will never forget. Action films should be a thrilling ride full of drops and high-speed twists and turns; horror films have to take their audiences into the scary unknown; and dramas need to send the audience into an emotional roller coaster where joy and laughter can instantly become pain and sorrow.

"Brothers" falls under the "drama" category and, while it is undoubtedly emotional and has some of the parts to make it an emotional roller coaster, director Jim Sheridan seems satisfied with giving us a Ferris wheel experience. Sure, Ferris wheels are enjoyable to ride, but for those of us who are roller coaster enthusiasts, we know the ride only leaves us hungry for more.

The story centers on two brothers, Tommy and Sam. Sam (Tobey Maguire) is a soldier in Afghani-

stan with two kids and a beautiful wife, Grace (Natalie Portman). Tommy (Jake Gyllenhaal), on the other hand, has just been released from prison. When Sam's helicopter is shot down and he is reported dead, Tommy takes the initiative to comfort Grace and the kids. Just as Tommy and Grace become intimately close with one another, Sam returns home after being tortured by Taliban fighters. From there, the tensions run high, and the family strains to keep it to-

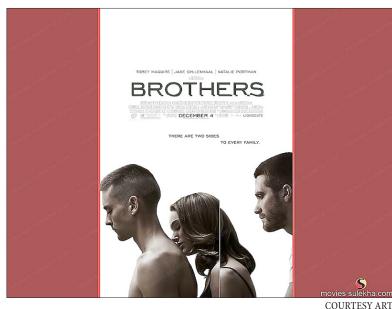
This is a dark story with multiple emotional complications between characters, yet it never feels emotionally complicated. Once Sam returns home, Tommy severs his romantic ties with Grace like a caring brother, and Sam acts like a raging lunatic. It is too neat. Morality over a character's actions never comes into question and, in the end, Tommy is in the right, and Sam is in the wrong.

What would have made this movie fantastic is if Sheridan put his characters through the wringer. After Sam's death, Tommy and Grace should have fallen madly in love with one another and moved

on with their lives for a decent period of time.

The torture scenes should have been harsh and uncompromising, showing every detail that would drive Sam over the edge. If the romance was steamier, and the torture more brutal, "Brothers" would have been 10 times better. Sam would have arrived home to see the horror of his brother romantically involved with Grace. We would identify with Sam after watching him get physically and psychologically tortured. Grace would be forced to decide between the two brothers, while Tommy would be romantically conflicted about giving up the love of his life.

Now that would have been a fantastic drama because the characters' actions would finally come into question. "Who deserves to be with Grace, Tommy or Sam?" "Should Tommy give up Grace?" "Are Sam's violent reactions justified?" These are questions that would have made a compelling drama. Instead, Jim Sheridan skips over these compelling issues and simply settles for a movie that shows how war can change people. In other words, it is stuff we



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have seen before.

Despite this flaw, I still enjoyed "Brothers" well enough thanks to the performances. Jake Gyllenhaal is dynamite as the charismatic smart-aleck brother, and Bailee Madison gives such an emotionally raw performance as the older daughter that she outshines all of the adults

I would still recommend skipping this one. If you want to see a movie that really hits you with the psychological toll of war, watch "The Deer Hunter" instead.

-Compiled by Elena Buckner

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